A MESSAGE FROM The King of Scots, TO HIS SISTER The Princess of Orange.

Printed at the Hague. *And*

A Letter to the Lord General *Cromwel*, concerning the Earl of *Cleveland*, Col *Blague*, and divers other Officers. The raising of a new *Army* in *Scotland*, for their King, by the Marquess of *Argyle*; With a Letter from the Earl of *Newcastle*;

Ordered to be burned.

ALSO,

A true Relation of the sad and wonderfull inundation of waters that befel the famous Town of *Bilbo* in *Spain*; shewing the manner how it rained for 24 hours together, the water powring down the *Mountains* with such a strong torrent, that it broke down the houses, drowned all their *Mules*, *Sheep*, and *Cattel*, fill'd their *Iron-Mines*, over-turn'd their *Mills*, brake down the *Wharf*, and carryed all their Ships into the Sea, dismanted whole Woods, leaving not a Tree standing, beat down the Fowl in the Air, and destroyed many Families.

Sent to Mr. Jacob *a* Merchant, *living in* Fleet-street.

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THE KING OF SCOTS MESSAGE TO THE Northern Counties, and his Sister the Princess of *Orange*.

Right Honourable,

WHereas it hath pleased God to honour the Parliaments Forces with extraordinary success in *England*, as the effect of Gods mercy, and the consequent of good Order and Discipline; so likewise His Divine Majesty hath been pleased to add a further Trophie of Conquest to his Servants in *Scotland*; and to

make them instrumental of breaking the host and power of his Enemies. For on the 17 of this instant, we fell upon the *Scots* new Levies in the *West*, and after a sharp dispute, gave them a great *Defeat*, killed about 300 on the place, and took divers prisoners. Yet notwithstanding, we hear that the Marquess of *Argyle* is raising Forces, and so are divers Shires in the West, and in the North. A good Force, and a good Councel might do well to reduce and settle this Land. As for their King, No man can tell what's become of him: so that it is probable, his former demonstrations will now produce a Verification; for upon his advance for *England*, He sent a Letter to the Gentry of *Cumberland*, and *Westmerland*; intimating, *That he had left* Scotland, *with a Resolution never to return thither any more; and had cast himself upon his good Subjects of* England, *leaving the event and success thereof to* God.

This week we received an Express from the Low Countries, containing Occurrences of very great consequence, printed at the *Hague* in *Holland*; a Copy whereof followeth:

THe King of *Scots* grows every day more formidable than other, and marched without opposition, in great hast toward his chief City of *London*, being within a dayes march of it with fourtscore thousand Horse and Foot. This great news hath since been confirmed from *Tervier* in *Zealand*, brought thither by an Express sent by the said King to his Sister the Princess of *Orange*: with this addition, That on *Thursday* the 28 of *August*, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, the said King had made his Triumphant *Ingrado* into *London*, where he was received with the greatest acclamation that possibly could be expressed: As also that two ships were arrived at *Roterdam* with Parliament-men flying to save their lives. The English at the *Spa*, and other places in *Holland*, have lately had a day of Jubilee; and to ratifie the truth of

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their frantique joy, gave out, that the King of *Scots* had a more formidable power in *England* then ever his Father had; that he increaseth like a snow-ball in his March, (*but I am sorry it be dissolved as fast in his Retreat*) and that the Citizens in most places set open their Gates. From *Ireland*, We hear that *Limerick* is even upon their knees: gladly would they accept of the first Offers of my Lord *Deputy*; for they have many division among themselves which will necessitate them to surrender: On the 25 of *August* they made a sally upon our Guards with 1000 foot, and 300 horse: We had a dispute with them for an hour, killed of them above 80, and wounded many: we have 9 slain, and 35 wounded: *Clare* Castle is blockt up, and *Galloway* much straighened.

The *Lord* still direct and protect the Parliament and council of State; and give the godly in the *Land* eyes to see, and hearts seriously to consider what dreadful dangers, and grievous inconveniencies they have run themselves into, by refusing to own, and be faithfull unto those whom God in much mercy hath set in authority over us, and under whose authority we may (if we will) lead a godly and peaceable life.

From Holland it is certified as followeth,

SIR,

When Cap: ain Beck *was at* Rotterdam *with his Ship, the Vice-Admiral of* Holland *was ready to come to sea, but where it could not be told, nor at that present understood. There were two French Ships that did come in thither for convoy for* France, *and they had two convoyes granted them: And some of our friends there heard some discourse between the* French *and* Hollanders, *to this purpose: The* French *men did say, That there was a Parliament Dog in the Harbour (meaning Cap:* Beeks *ship): The* Dutch *men answered, that they would hoyst him in if they should meet him at Sea: Cap:* Beck *was forced to come with his Convoy hither, and left them in the* Brill.

From the West-Indies we hear that the Lord Willoug by *seems to have an inclination for the surrender of that place.*

Yarmouth 19 Septemb. 1651.

By Letters from Portsmouth we have received an account of the prosperous success of the good ship called the Tyger: a Copy whereof followeth:

SIR,

THese are to acquaint you, That God by his good grace and hand of Providence, hath brought us out of the Straights in safety, unto the Port of Portsmouth, with the Angel Captain Rand, and the Bonadventure Captain Hoxton, and one Merchants ship in Convoy, laden with Currants and Silk: And likewise at the Bay of Bulls at my going into Cales, I had intelligence of a Frigot there riding, which came from France laden with linnen cloth, the which I did surprise: All her cloth being delivered, I found in her about 20000 Dollars of pieces of Eight, Spanish Moneys: besides a good quantity of Bars of Silver, and some Barrels of Cochenel; and Bills of Lading assigned for St. Mallows and Ross in France: Which moneyes, and the Silver, I have on board the Tyger, and as for the Frigot, she hath ten pieces of Ordnance in her.

A Letter from the Governour of Stafford to the Lord Generall Cromwel, came as followeth:

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May it please your Excellency,

WE have purposely sent up the bearer hereof to give you an account of the persons both English and Scots with us here in the Garison, with the names and conditions of them, amongst whom is Colonel Blague, formerly Governour of Wallingford, whom amongst others, as they passed through this Country, was taken by this bearer & brought hither: also the Lord of Cleveland, Maj. Galbreth, with many other Officers, Gentlemen, and common souldiers, above three hundred.

Your Excellencies most humble servant,

H. DANVERS.

My Lord,

YOur Lordships Letter by Creswel is so nobly kind, friendly, and so wise councel, as it is too big for my pen, ink, and paper, only it hath made me all over thankfulness, and that is as much as I can either say or do. For my estate they are now selling of it, it is against all the old tenents that I should be a traytor & rebel, and all my estate confiscate, and I to be hanged without mercy. My Lady Oneal and my self sitting in councel, like provident parents, agreed upon a match between my son Harry and her daughter, and gravely articled,

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bought 18 peny worth of Bread for the supping, the old Lany a lean Chickin in a pipkin for the dinner, with three preserved Cheries, and 5 drops of syrup by them for the banquet, &c. With other particulars of a very strange nature.

Dated from Granada, and subscribed.

From the ancient and famous town of *Bilbo*, by letters to several *London* Marchants, it is certified that there hath happened a great Inundation of waters; an exact Copy followeth:

Sir, On the 8 of this instant *Aug.* hath happened an accidence of very amazing consequence, & as sudden inundation as hath befel in any part of Europe these many years; the manner thus: It rained by fits almost 24 hours together, and very great were the showers; so that at the last, there came powring down the Mountains such a torrent of waters, that in 4 hours time the water was 16 foot high in our houses: insomuch that most of the goods in Cellars & Warehouses were utterly spoiled: the stream was of such a force, that it bare down many strong houses, and level'd them with the ground; & had it not bin for the great Church at the end of the bridg which did break the impetuosity of the fall, it had undoubtedly swept away the whole town. It has drown'd all our Moles, Hogs, sheep, and other cattel, fill'd our Iron Mines, over-turned our Mills, carryed away all our stores of Charcoal, broke down our Wharf, that there is no sign of it left, carryed away all our ships, Barks, and Lighters into the sea, dismantled whole Woods, that there is not so much as a shrub left, undermined the very graves, so as to give forth their dead, beat down the fowls in the air, yet hath not destroyed many persons that we can hear of. This place is totally undone, and of the sweetest place in *Spain*, is now become the noysomest in the world: we all gave our selves up for dead men, for we had no visible refuge: the Lord give us hearts to be living Monuments of his praise. It is to be observed, that this happened on a day dedicated to a great *Romish-superstitious Procession*; but now the Images and Altars in the Churches are all demolished by the waters.

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